

NEW SHOREHAM PORT
HEALTH AUTHORITY.



ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
PORT MEDICAL OFFICER.

1959



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NEW SHOREHAM PORT HEALTH AUTHORITY

TOWN HALL,

SHOREHAM-BY-SEA.

February, 1960.

To: The Chairman and Members of
the New Shoreham Port Health
Authority.

Mr. Chairman, Madam and Gentlemen,

I beg to submit my report for the year ending 31st December, 1959.

The year has shown a considerable alteration in the type of shipping using the port with a considerable increase in the number of general cargo vessels, part of whose cargoes being imported foodstuffs from the continent mostly from Amsterdam, Flushing, Ostend and Rouen. The Jersey potato trade continued again this year with vessels arriving almost daily during May and June.

The actual figures of essels arriving are:-

490 vessels from foreign ports	(114,607 N.R.T.)
1666 vessels from coastwise ports	(728,382 N.R.T.)

This shows an increase of 158 vessels (37,128 N.R.T.) from foreign ports and a decrease of 141 vessels (49,820 N.R.T.) from coastwise ports.

During the year 487 vessels from foreign ports and 1019 vessles from coastwise ports were inspected. 455 vessles from foreign ports and 46 from coastwise ports being revisited. There were no notices served for defects, all minor defects such as lack of cleanliness in galleys and crews quarters being dealt with by verbal cautions and complied with on the vessels return to the port.

Infectious Disease.

There were no cases reported during the year, all vessels from infected areas were boarded on arrival and revisited daily during their stay.

Rodent Control.

All vessels from foreign ports were searched during and on completion of discharge. Traces of rats being found on two foreign arrivals and one coastwise vessel.

70 De-ratting exemption certificates and 5 Rodent Control certificates were issued during the year.

Food Inspection.

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The volume and variety of imported foods continues to increase. 189 food inspections being made during the year. Samples of cockles and one of pate fois gras were submitted to the bacteriologist for examination and were proved to be satisfactory.

The following is a summary of foods inspected:-

Tinned Ham	9661 cases	Gherkins	1850 cases
Chopped Pork	8761 "	Gherkins	51 casks
Minced Pork	4865 "	Cucumbers (Pickled)	202 cases
Ox Tongue	4464 "	Tinned Vegetables	100 "
Lambs Tongue	25 "	Grapes	34205 "
Pork Luncheon Meat	2720 "	Peaches	50656 "
Lard	24505 "	Pears	8894 "
Lard	514 drums	Peaches	632 (Italian)
Butter	600 cases	Melons	4497 "
Sausage	34 "	Oranges	369 tins
Sausage casings	8 "	Oranges	17800 cases
Sauerkraut	50 "	Pear Juice	54 drums
Pate fois gras	435 "	Cherry Juice	9 "
Cockles	145 baskets	Black currant Juice	442 cases
Tinned Herrings	115 cases		
Meat Preserves	17054 "	Beer	300 cases
Chocolate Confectionery	5787 "	Potatoes	5080 tons
Rusks	9880 "	Carrots	51 bags
Crisps	9650 "	Beetroot	531 "
Non Pareil	440 "	Lettuce	300 crates
Cocoa butter	50 "	Cucumbers	50 "
Sugar	67 "	Carrots	434 bags
Sugar	508 tons	Sprouts	140 nets
Dried Milk	2000 bags	Tomatoes	1342 trays
Cooking Fat	160 cases	Cauliflowers	175 bags
Tinned Milk	55 "	Onions	4268 bags
Tinned Mustard	182 "	Onions	654 tons
Tinned Mushrooms	340 "		(Egypt)

Condemned Foods

35 cases and 6 packets of lard
1 case butter
80 trays of peaches
64 trays of grapes

Houseboats

Regular inspections were made of houseboats moored at Shoreham and Southwick and two notices re. defects being served and complied with during the year.

In conclusion I wish to thank the Deputy Port Medical Officer Dr. Partridge, the Deputy Port Health Officer Mr. Eardley, the officers of H.M. Customs and Excise, the Shoreham Harbour Trustees and the Shipping Agents for their co-operation throughout the year. Particularly I wish to thank Mr. Tate for his untiring efforts.

I am, Mr. Chairman, Madam and Gentlemen,

Your obedient Servant,

T.H. HARRISON

Port Medical Officer of Health.

SECTION I

STAFF

TABLE A.

Name of Officer	Nature of Appointment	Date of Appointment	Qualifications	Any other appointment held
T.H. HARRISON	Port Medical Officer	1.4.55	M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., D.P.H., D.T.M. & H.	--
A.J. PARTRIDGE	Deputy Port Medical Officer	1.4.55	F.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., D.R.C.O.G.	Police Surgeon, West Sussex Constabulary Steyning Division.
A. TATE	Port Health Inspector	1.8.55	D.P.A., C.R.S.I., M.A.P.H.I.	--
T.A. EARDLEY	Deputy Port Health Inspector	1942	C.S.I.B.	Public Health Inspector to Southwick U.D.C.

Address and telephone number of the Medical Officer of Health:

"White Lodge",
85 Buckingham Road,
SHOREHAM-BY-SEA.

Shoreham 3550.

SECTION II

AMOUNT OF SHIPPING ENTERING THE DISTRICT DURING THE YEAR
TABLE B.

SHIPS FROM:	NO.	NET TONNAGE	NUMBER OF INSPECTIONS		INFECTIOUS DISEASE
			M.O.H.	P.H.I.	
FOREIGN	490	114,607	14	487	Nil
COASTWISE	1666	728,382		1019	Nil
TOTALS	2156	842,989	14	1506	Nil

SECTION III

CHARACTER OR SHIPPING AND TRADE DURING THE YEAR
TABLE C.

PASSENGER TRAFFIC. A number of passengers travel to and from the continent on the regular Shoreham-Rouen-Ostend cargo vessels.

CARGO TRAFFIC.

IMPORTS

CARGO	NO. OF SHIPS		NET REGISTERED TONNAGE	
	FOREIGN	COASTAL	FOREIGN	COASTAL
COAL		479		487721
OIL		599		100328
BEACH		475		99091
SLAG	5	47	1569	26461
STONE	16	14	2120	3263
BALLAST	18	32	2661	5107
GENERAL	221	16	56867	5705
TIMBER	132		33150	
POTATOES	30	4	6977	706
FRUIT	8		1916	
BRICKS	17		2351	
PAPER	4		3355	
BASIC SLAG	1		180	
PEAT	3		888	
TILES	1		116	
MOTOR SPARES	1		234	
ONIONS	1		175	
POTASH	1		123	
SUGAR	1		246	
YACHTS	24		348	
H.M. SHIPS	5		1131	
TOTAL	490	1666	114607	728382

EXPORTS

CARGO	NO. OF SHIPS	NET REG. TONNAGE
GENERAL	158	41,219
SCRAP	48	7,776
STRAW	1	312
SHEEP	1	236
TOTALS	208	49,543

PRINCIPAL PORTS FROM WHICH SHIPS ARRIVE

BRITISH

Southampton	872
Goole	233
London	197
Tyne	76
Blyth	64
Middlesbro	51
Hartlepool	34
Pt. Talbot	27
Immingham	23
Sunderland	16
Various other ports	73

FOREIGN

Amsterdam	82
Ostend	47
Channel Isles	39
Rouen	29
Boulogne	44
Hamina	13
Rundvik	8
Archangel	6
La Pallice	7
Tonnay Charrente	18
Various other ports	197

Various Ports

Algeria	1	France	142	U.S.S.R.	9
Belguim	58	Germany	3	Channel Isles	40
Cyprus	1	Greece	3	Morrocco	2
Columbia	1	Holland	92		
Denmark	8	Norway	4		
Egypt	2	Poland	6		
Eire	6	Spain	1		
Finland	45	Sweden	66		

FOREIGN PORTS FROM WHICH VESSELS HAVE ARRIVED

<u>ALGERIA</u>	Algiers
<u>BELGIUM</u>	Antwerp, Boom, Ghent, Niel, Ostend
<u>CYPRUS</u>	Famagusta
<u>COLUMBIA</u>	San Juan
<u>DENMARK</u>	Ejerslev, Nykoping
<u>EGYPT</u>	Alexandria

<u>EIRE</u>	Cork, Mulroy, Waterford
<u>FINLAND</u>	Batskarnas, Hango, Haparanda, Helsinki, Kasko, Kemi, Korsnas, Korsor, Kotka, Mantyluoto, Oskarhamn, Pateniemi, Rauma, Royta, Skoghall, Vasa, Xpyla.
<u>FRANCE</u>	Bordeaux, Boulogne, Caen, Calais, Cherbourg, Dahouet, Deauville, Dieppe, Fecamp, Granville, Gravelines, La Mailleraye, La Pallice, Le Havre, Paempol, Rouen, St. Sampson, St. Valerie, Tonnay Charrentes.
<u>GERMANY</u>	Hamburg
<u>GREECE</u>	Khois, Salonica, Heraklion
<u>HOLLAND</u>	Amsterdam, Delfzyl, Dordrecht, Middleborg, Rotterdam.
<u>NORWAY</u>	Kristiansund, Nordmalling, Nonsundet
<u>MORROCCO</u>	Casablanca
<u>POLAND</u>	Gdansk, Stettin
<u>SWEDEN</u>	Abo, Ala, Gamleby, Hamina, Holmsund, Hudiksval, Hogarnas, Kalmar, Karlsborg, Karlsham, Karlskroma, Koping, Otterbacken, Pitea, Rundvik, Saxekoping, Soderpilje, Sandvik, Ubaborg, Vasa.
<u>U. S. S. R.</u>	Archangel, Mesane, Onega.

SECTION IV.

INLAND BARGE TRAFFIC

Number using the district	- Nil
Tonnage	- Nil
Places served by the traffic	- Nil

SECTION V

WATER SUPPLY.

Source of supply for the district	- Brighton Corporation
Source of supply for shipping	- Brighton Corporation
Reports of tests for contamination	- One sample of water was taken and submitted to the Public Health Laboratory. The result was satisfactory.

SECTION V.

WATER SUPPLY.

Precautions taken against contamination of hydrants and hosepipes - Hosepipes are delivered from store and collected on request.

Number and sanitary condition of water boats, and powers of control by authority. - Nil

SECTION VI

PUBLIC HEALTH (SHIPS) REGULATIONS 1952

No change.

SECTION VII

SMALLPOX.

- (i) Arrangements have been made for the removal of smallpox cases to Long Reach Hospital, Dartford.
- (ii) The transport of smallpox patients would be by ambulance provided by the Brighton Corporation.
- (iii) The Consultant in respect of suspected cases of smallpox is Dr. W.S. Parker, Medical Officer of Health, Brighton.
- (iv) The Public Health Laboratory in Brighton is available for examination of specimens submitted for diagnosis.

SECTION VIII

VENEREAL DISEASE

No change

4 cases reported to Brighton and Worthing Clinics for treatment as follows:-

- 2 gonorrhoea
- 1 non-specific urethritis
- 1 other condition.

SECTION IX

CASES OF NOTIFIABLE AND OTHER INFECTIOUS DISEASES ON SHIPS

TABLE D.

Category	Disease	No. of cases during year		No. of ships concerned
		Pass.	Crew	
Cases landed from ships from foreign ports		Nil	Nil	Nil
Cases which have occurred on ships from foreign ports but have been disposed before arrival		Nil	Nil	Nil
Cases landed from other ships		Nil	Nil	Nil

SECTION X

MALARIA IN SHIPS

No ships visit the Port from Malarial countries.

SECTION XI

MEASURES AGAINST SHIPS INFECTED WITH OR SUSPECTED FOR PLAGUE

No cases of plague have been reported on ships arriving at this Port.

SECTION XII

MEASURES AGAINST RODENTS IN SHIPS FROM FOREIGN PORTS

All ships from foreign ports were searched during and on completion of discharge, but no evidence of rats was found.

TABLE E.

No rat infestation has been found on ships from foreign ports.

TABLE F.

70 Deratting Exemption Certificates were issued during the year.

5 Rodent Control Certificates.

SECTION XIII

INSPECTION OF SHIPS FOR NUISANCES

TABLE G.

Nature and Number of Inspections	No. of ships	Notices served		Result of serving notices - complied with
		Statu- tory	Others	
Foreign	487	-	-	-
Coastwise	1506	-	1	1

SECTION XIV

PUBLIC HEALTH (SHELL-FISH) REGULATIONS 1934 and 1948

No change.

SECTION XV

MEDICAL INSPECTION OF ALIENS

No change.

